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Dear Sir:

In response to the Non-Final Office Action mailed on October 5, 2006, having a three-month statutory period for response set to expire on January 5, 2007, please consider the following remarks.

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